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war. The Annual Public meeting of the Society, held on the 18th of May, was an interesting occasion. Addresses were made by Sir Joseph W. Pease, the President, by Arthur Pease, M.P., Sir Walter G. F. Phillimore, William Randal Cremer, Dr. G. B. Clark, M.P., and others.

The fifteenth and sixteenth annual reports of the International Arbitration and Peace Association of London, whose annual meeting was held on the 31st of May, have just reached us. They make a pamphlet of thirty-two pages which contains a list of the Association's supporters, a record of its work for the past two years, and a review of those international questions and complications to which the Association has given special attention. The Association continues as vigorous as ever in its endeavors to promote the substitution of law for force in the settlement of all international disputes.

At a recent meeting of the Boston School Board a resolution was introduced by one of the members looking towards the abolition of military instruction in the Boston schools. It is strange, to say the least, that a board of such intelligent men should not long ago have discovered that the system of turning the school boys into embryo soldiers is steadily and not very quietly working irreparable mischief in the influence which it is having on the character of the boys. At a recent prize drill in Mechanics Hall, "the riot and confusion" became so great, during the distribution of the prizes, that the Chairman of the High School Committee, Dr. Calderwood, suspended the awards before completed. Without magnifying this occurrence in the least, it furnishes, along with many incidents of similar character in other places, undeniable evidence that those are wholly wrong in their interpretation of human nature who declare that military training in the schools has no tendency to create a war-like and quarrelsome spirit.

Hodgson Pratt, President of the International Arbitration and Peace Association of London, has had reprinted in pamphlet form for private circulation an extended article on International Arbitration, published by him in *The Inquirer* for April 17th.

Rev. Dr. Reuben Thomas, pastor of the Harvard Church, Brookline, Mass., and one of the Directors of the American Peace Society, sailed on the 30th of June for London where he preaches in the City Temple during the vacation. Dr. Thomas is an Englishman by birth, and an American by more than twenty years of active ministerial service in this country. He is one of the ablest and truest supporters of the movement for permanent Anglo-American arbitration, laboring with equal efficiency for it on both sides of the water.

The latest word about the Graeco-Turkish peace negotiations is that the Russian Emperor has again written to the Sultan urging him to accelerate the peace negotiations by renouncing demands with which it is impossible for Greece to comply. As a result of this letter the Sultan has virtually accepted the terms of the powers, leaving only details to be settled.

Mr. Edward Atkinson, the foremost statistician and one of the foremost economists in the United States, sails for Europe on the 8th of July. He expects to be gone three months, and the special purpose of his trip is to attend the meeting of the International Statistical Institute which meets at St. Petersburg on the 31st of August. Mr. Atkinson is to read an economic statistical paper before the Institute, which he expects to make serve the interests of international peace. We hope he may be able to manage his army of figures, which he always handles in a masterly way, in such fashion as materially to cripple the Russian war host. Mr. Atkinson has for several years been a member, and is now one of the Vice-Presidents of the American Peace Society, and an active and hearty supporter of its work.

A WARNING.

BY IDA WHIPPLE BENHAM.

Thou pastor of the flock who, crook in hand,
Leadeest the younglings through the vernal land,
Take heed! take heed and hear!
The wolf is near!

In clothing of soft wool, with meek, shrewd look,
He came—small wonder if the lambs mistook
The stranger, for he seemed
The thing they dreamed.

Into the fold he leaps! his eyes are bright,
His eager mouth half open, fangs in sight—
Wilt thou not turn about
And drive him out?

Dost hesitate? and art thou, too, deceived?
Haste, ere too great thy loss to be retrieved!
Ah woe, and woe the day!
Thou bid'st him stay!

Thou foolish shepherd, nay, it cannot be—
Two shepherds for one flock, the wolf and thee!
For what, then, hath he stayed?
The Boys' Brigade.

MYSTIC, Conn.

TEXT OF THE HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION TREATY.

The United States of America and the Republic of Hawaii, in view of the natural dependence of the Hawaiian Islands upon the United States, of their geographical proximity thereto, of the preponderant share acquired by the United States and its citizens in the industries and trade of said islands, and of the expressed desire of the